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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's insight and analysis of this patent application. In response to the Non-Final Office Action of 11-16-2007 a response is provided as follows:

- A listing of the claims begins on page 3 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 15 of this paper.

In the claims,

- Claims 1-39 were previously pending;
- Claims 1, 11-27, 28-34, 35-37 and 38 are amended; and
- Claims 1-39 are now pending.